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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn
Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 5:12:27 PM
Subject: FW: JIC ACTION: REGION 8 AG ADVISOR

Paula:

Already sent to JIC but sending to you in case you can help get this pushed through. Rebecca wants to send the info below to the CO Ag Stakeholder listserv but wants an official okay on her language before she transmits. It's pulled nearly word-for-word from public sources so should be fine but she wants an okay before she transmits.

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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 11:10 AM
To: Press; EOC Public Information
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Subject: JIC ACTION: REGION 8 AG ADVISOR

Rebecca Perrin, Region 8 Ag Advisor, would like to send language highlighted below in yellow to the CO Ag stakeholder listserv.

No deadline cited.

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From: Perrin, Rebecca

Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 11:06 AM

To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

Subject: Draft language for Co Ag stakeholders to be emailed by R8 Ag Advisor

Laura,

I would like to send the following language to the CO Ag Stakeholder listserv. This listserv has representatives from most CO ag associations, as well as individual producers, Senator Bennet's ag representative, Colorado Department of Agriculture staff and leadership, and other assorted individuals who work on ag related issues in Colorado.

Region 8 hosts meeting between this group and ourselves 2 times a year as part of long standing

agricultural outreach from the Region with the agricultural community. We had one of those meetings earlier this week and a few associations asked for additional information about the Gold King Mine response so that they can make sure any affected members in the spill area are getting the best information. I also received a phone call from the Colorado Farm Bureau letting me know their members have questions and they were not sure where to send them to get answers. I believe the new website to be the best way for all of these folks to keep up to speed with the response and help their members get the information they need.

I also think that providing this info to these associations will help to ensure that we get the useful information in the website to any farmers and ranchers who need it. While I hope that most of the ag producers in this area have already reached out for support it is possible that some have not and we want to make sure we are going all we can to reach those affected.

Title: Gold King Mine Release

*EPA has created a new website dedicated to information about the Gold King Mine response: <http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine>. This website is updated with the latest information frequently and contains information about what happened, who's responding and what is being done, data results, how to file a claim for property damage, etc. This website also has information specific to La Plata County, Colorado, including who to call to get water for livestock. EPA has also created a **toll-free hotline: 844-607-9700**. This number can be used by citizens impacted by the release requesting emergency assistance. We would appreciate you sharing this website and hotline with any of your members impacted by the Gold King Mine release.*

Thanks for your help.

Rebecca Perrin

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